

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)**

Applicant(s): Ling CHEN et al.

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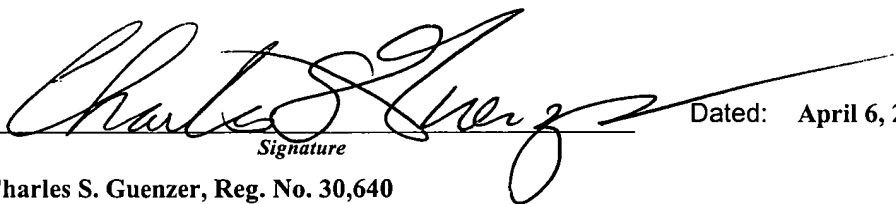
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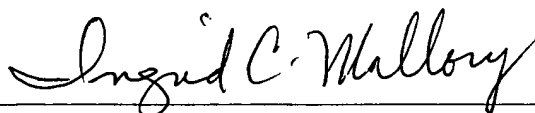
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### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.115

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